

**VERMONT PESTICIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL
APRIL 10, 2013 MEETING MINUES**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Decker, Kathy
Gary, Lené
Giguere, Cary
Hoffman-Contois, Razelle
Levey, Rick
Palmer, Eric

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bosworth, Sid
Shively, Andy

GUESTS

Graham, Alan
Kratzer, Jud
Probasco, Matthew
Schmalz, Tim

Meeting Called to Order

1:00 pm EST

Meeting Adjourned

4:30 pm EST

Announcements and General Business

- Council members introduced themselves and their affiliations.
- Sam Lincoln and Lorraine Berkett have retired from the Council. The University of Vermont College of Medicine seat remains open.
- Rick Levey suggested, and the Council fully supported, establishing an ftp site to house Council related materials. Rick will create and maintain the site. Documents will be submitted to Razelle for posting to the site. Council members will be notified as materials are posted.
- A doodle poll will be sent to Council members to identify the next set of 3 meetings to be held after the last one currently scheduled for May 22, 2013.

Business

(1) Mosquito Control Efforts in Vermont

Alan Graham, Tim Schmalz and Cary Giguere of the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets provided a comprehensive overview of mosquito control activities that occur in Vermont. Many aspects were covered including but limited to:

- Vector species, life history and natural habitat
- The Arbovirus Survey and Response Plan
- Aerial Adulticide treatment related to West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis
- Current mosquito larvicide treatment permit procedures and proposed revisions
- Activities related to Mosquito Control Districts

Action Items

The Council agreed to review a short list of larvicide products containing the active ingredient Spinosad and some specific adulticide products containing d-phenothrin (sumithrin). Members will report back to the Council with concerns and/or recommendations at the May 22, 2013 meeting. While two potential adulticide active ingredients were initially discussed for review, AAFM subsequently revised the request to 2 products containing d-phenothrin.

(2) Aquatic Nuisance Control Program , Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)

Matthew Probasco, the DEC Aquatic Nuisance Control & Pesticide General Permit Coordinator, provided a comprehensive overview of Vermont's aquatic nuisance control program including permitting activities. Many aspects were covered, including but not limited to activities related to:

- 10 V.S.A. Chapter 50 1455 Aquatic Nuisance Control
- The Pesticide General Permit
- The Rapid Response General Permit

A lengthy discussion regarding the overlap and logistics of the various permit programs ensued.